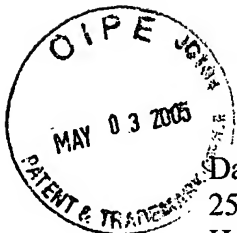


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Attn: Harry B. Tanner

This cover letter and attached materials come in response to the Final Office Action on the above application, posted 3/16/2005.

The claims of the elected Group II have been slightly amended in accordance with objections to 1) multiple dependent claims not referring to parent claims in the alternative and to 2) improper figure references intended to facilitate the reading of the claims and not ill-define their scope, each as discussed and resolved in a telephone interview with the examiner.

Claims 126, 187-188, 277-279, 281-291, 296, 297/296, 298 including multiple dependent claims and those claims referred to have been corrected to refer to the parent claims in the alternative only.

Claims 195-196, 199-204, 206, 219, 272-276 and 280 linked to parent claim 272 (or claim 1 in the clean copy) have been amended to remove Figure references impacting the scope of the invention as discussed.

A clean and markup copy for Group II is attached. The remaining Groups have been resubmitted in a divisional application.

Please promptly contact the inventor via phone or fax should there be any remaining issues regarding the allowance of the elected Group II.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Daniel Stanimirovic, Inventor